

**Recognizing the Dyke Marsh Wildlife Preserve as a unique and precious ecosystem:** H. Res. 701, to recognize the Dyke Marsh Wildlife Preserve as a unique and precious ecosystem, by a  $\frac{2}{3}$  ye-a-and-nay vote of 325 yeas to 93 nays, Roll No. 760 and

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**Honoring the people of Shanksville, Pennsylvania, and the Flight 93 Ambassadors for their efforts in creating the Flight 93 temporary memorial:** H. Res. 795, to honor the people of Shanksville, Pennsylvania, and the Flight 93 Ambassadors for their efforts in creating the Flight 93 temporary memorial and to encourage the completion of the National Park Service Flight 93 National Memorial by the 10th anniversary of September 11, 2001, by a  $\frac{2}{3}$  ye-a-and-nay vote of 426 yeas with none voting "nay", Roll No. 763.

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**Suspensions:** The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

**Authorizing major medical facility leases for the Department of Veterans Affairs for fiscal year 2010:** S. 1717, to authorize major medical facility leases for the Department of Veterans Affairs for fiscal year 2010;

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**Rex E. Lee Post Office Building Designation Act:** H.R. 3547, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 936 South 250 East in Provo, Utah, as the "Rex E. Lee Post Office Building";

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**Clyde Hichborn Post Office Designation Act:** H.R. 2174, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 18 Main Street in Howland, Maine, as the "Clyde Hichborn Post Office";

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**Kingman and Heritage Islands Act of 2009:** H.R. 2092, amended, to amend the National Children's Island Act of 1995 to expand allowable uses for Kingman and Heritage Islands by the District of Columbia; and

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**Providing for the concurrence by the House in the Senate amendment to H.R. 1035, with an amendment:** H. Res. 806, to provide for the concurrence by the House in the Senate amendment to H.R. 1035, with an amendment, by a  $\frac{2}{3}$  ye-a-and-nay vote of 358 yeas to 66 nays, Roll No. 762.

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**Suspensions—Proceedings Postponed:** The House debated the following measures under suspension of the rules. Further proceedings were postponed:

**Proclaiming Casimir Pulaski to be an honorary citizen of the United States posthumously:** H.J.

Res. 26, to proclaim Casimir Pulaski to be an honorary citizen of the United States posthumously;

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**Service Members Home Ownership Tax Act of 2009:** H.R. 3590, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to modify the first-time homebuyers credit in the case of members of the Armed Forces and certain other Federal employees; and

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**Providing for the concurrence by the House in the Senate amendment to H.R. 1016, with amendment:** H. Res. 804, to provide for the concurrence by the House in the Senate amendment to H.R. 1016, with amendment.

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**Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010—Conference Report:** The House agreed to the conference report to accompany H.R. 2997, making appropriations for Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2010, by a ye-a-and-nay vote of 263 yeas to 162 nays, Roll No. 761.

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H. Res. 799, the rule providing for consideration of the conference report, was agreed to by a recorded vote of 241 yeas to 178 nays, Roll No. 757, after agreeing to order the previous question by a ye-a-and-nay vote of 237 yeas to 180 nays, Roll No. 756.

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**Committee Election:** The House agreed to H. Res. 807, electing a minority member to a standing committee: Committee on Oversight and Government Reform: Representative Cao.

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**Senate Message:** Message received from the Senate today appears on page H10539.

**Senate Referrals:** S. Con. Res. 45 was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

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**Quorum Calls—Votes:** Five ye-a-and-nay votes and three recorded votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H10539, H10540, H10543–44, H10544, H10545, H11076–77, H11077 and H11078. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 10:38 p.m.

## Committee Meetings

### FARM BILL CONSERVATION TITLE IMPLEMENTATION

**Committee on Agriculture:** Subcommittee on Conservation, Credit, Energy and Research held a hearing to

review implementation of the conservation title of the 2008 Farm Bill. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the USDA: Dave White, Chief, Natural Resources Conservation Service; and Jonathan Coppess, Administrator, Farm Service Agency.

#### U.S. GREEN TECHNOLOGY TRADE

*Committee on Energy and Commerce:* Subcommittee on Commerce, Trade and Consumer Protection held a hearing entitled “Growing U.S. Trade in Green Technology.” Testimony was heard from Mary Saunders, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Manufacturing Services, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce; and public witnesses.

#### BREAST CANCER MEASURES

*Committee on Energy and Commerce:* Subcommittee on Health held a hearing on the following bills: H.R. 1740, Breast Cancer Education and Awareness Requires Learning Young Act of 2009; H.R. 1691, Breast Cancer Patient Protection Act of 2009; H.R. 2279, Eliminating Disparities in Breast Cancer Treatment Act of 2009; H.R. 995, Mammogram and MRI Availability Act of 2009; and H.R. 2042, Better Screening Test for Women Act. Testimony was heard from Representatives DeLauro, Nadler and Wasserman Schultz; Stephen Taplin, M.D., Chief, Applied Cancer Screening Research Branch, Division of Cancer Control and Population Science, National Cancer Institute, NIH, Department of Health and Human Services; and public witnesses.

#### OVER-THE-COUNTER DERIVATIVE MARKET REFORM

*Committee on Financial Services:* Held a hearing entitled “Reform of the Over-the-Counter Derivative Market: Limiting Risk and Ensuring Fairness.” Testimony was heard from Gary Gensler, Chairman, CFTC; Henry Hu, Director, Division of Risk, Strategy, and Financial Innovation, SEC; and public witnesses.

#### MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Ordered reported, as amended, the following bills: H.R. 1478, Carmelo Rodriguez Military Medical Accountability Act of 2009; and H.R. 1110, PHONE Act of 2009.

The Committee began consideration of H.R. 42, Commission on Wartime Relocation and Internment of Latin Americans of Japanese Descent Act 2009.

#### NATIVE AMERICAN GRAVES PROTECTION

*Committee on Natural Resources:* Held an oversight hearing entitled “Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA).” Testimony was heard from Dan Wenk, Deputy Director, National

Park Service, Department of the Interior; and public witnesses.

#### MEDICAID PEDIATRIC DENTAL REFORM DEAMONTE DRIVER DEATH

*Committee on Oversight and Government Reform:* Subcommittee on Domestic Policy held a hearing entitled “Medicaid’s Efforts to Reform Since the Preventable Death of Deamonte Driver: A Progress Report.” Testimony was heard from Cindy Mann, Director, Center for Medicaid and State Operations, State of Maryland; Katherine Iritani, Assistant Director, Health Issues, GAO; Mary G. McIntyre, M.D., Medical Director, Office of Clinical Standards and Quality, Medicaid Agency, State of Alabama; and public witnesses.

#### NATIONAL DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION ACT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2010—CONFERENCE REPORT

*Committee on Rules:* Granted, by a non-record vote, a rule providing for consideration of the conference report to accompany H.R. 2647, the “National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2010.” The rule waives all points of order against the conference report and against its consideration. The rule provides that the conference report shall be considered as read. Finally, the rule provides that the previous question shall be considered as ordered without intervening motion except one hour of debate and one motion to recommit, if applicable. Testimony was heard from Chairman Skelton and Representative McKeon.

#### MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

*Committee on Science and Technology:* Ordered reported, as amended, the following bills: H.R. 3650, Harmful Algal Blooms and Hypoxia Research and Control Amendments Act of 2009; H.R. 3585, Solar Technology Roadmap Act; and H.R. 3598, Energy and Water Research Integration Act.

#### FIRST-TIME HOMEBUYER’S TAX CREDIT

*Committee on Small Business:* Held a hearing entitled “The State of the Nation’s Housing Sector: An Examination of the First Time Buyer’s Credit and Future Policies to Sustain a Recovery.” Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

#### QUALIFICATIONS—CREDENTIALING OF MARINERS

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure:* Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation held a hearing on Qualifications and

Credentialing of Mariners: A Continuing Examination. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security: RADM Kevin Cook, Director, Prevention Policy; and CAPT David C. Stalfort, Commanding Officer, National Maritime Center.

## **DISTRESSED COMMUNITIES TAX INCENTIVES**

*Committee on Ways and Means:* Subcommittee on Select Revenue Measures held a hearing on tax incentives for distressed communities. Testimony was heard from Nelson Bregon, General Deputy Assistant Secretary, Community Planning and Development, Department of Housing and Urban Development; and public witnesses.

## **BRIEFING—PERU UPDATE**

*Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence:* Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations met in executive session to receive a briefing on Peru Update. The Subcommittee was briefed by departmental witnesses.

## **Joint Meetings**

### **HOMELAND SECURITY APPROPRIATIONS**

*Conferees* agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the Senate and House passed versions of H.R. 2892, making appropriations for the Department of Homeland Security for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2010.

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## **COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, OCTOBER 8, 2009**

*(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)*

### **Senate**

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:* to hold hearings to examine the future of the mortgage market and the housing enterprises, 9:30 a.m., SD-538.

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* business meeting to consider any pending nominations; to be immediately followed by a hearing to examine the nominations of Marcia K. McNutt, of California, to be Director of the United States Geological Survey, Department of the Interior, and Arun Majumdar, of California, to be Director of the Advanced Research Projects Agency-Energy, Department of Energy, 10 a.m., SD-366.

Subcommittee on Public Lands and Forests, to hold hearings to examine S. 522, to resolve the claims of the Bering Straits Native Corporation and the State of Alaska to land adjacent to Salmon Lake in the State of Alaska and to provide for the conveyance to the Bering Straits Native Corporation of certain other public land in partial satisfaction of the land entitlement of the Corporation under the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act, S. 865

and H.R. 1442, bills to provide for the sale of the Federal Government's reversionary interest in approximately 60 acres of land in Salt Lake City, Utah, originally conveyed to the Mount Olivet Cemetery Association under the Act of January 23, 1909, S. 881, to provide for the settlement of certain claims under the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act, S. 940, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey to the Nevada System of Higher Education certain Federal land located in Clark and Nye counties, Nevada, S. 1272, to provide for the designation of the Devil's Staircase Wilderness Area in the State of Oregon, to designate segments of Wasson and Franklin Creeks in the State of Oregon as wild or recreation rivers, and S. 1689, to designate certain land as components of the National Wilderness Preservation System and the National Landscape Conservation System in the State of New Mexico, 2:30 p.m., SD-366.

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* to hold hearings to examine the nominations of William E. Kennard, of the District of Columbia, to be Representative to the European Union, with the rank and status of Ambassador, Cynthia Stroum, of Washington, to be Ambassador to Luxembourg, John F. Tefft, of Virginia, a Career Member of the Senior Foreign Service, Class of Minister-Counselor, to be Ambassador to Ukraine, and Michael C. Polt, of Tennessee, a Career Member of the Senior Foreign Service, Class of Minister-Counselor, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Estonia, all of the Department of State, and James Legarde Hudson, of the District of Columbia, to be United States Director of the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development, 2:30 p.m., SD-419.

*Committee on the Judiciary:* business meeting to consider S. 448 and H.R. 985, bills to maintain the free flow of information to the public by providing conditions for the federally compelled disclosure of information by certain persons connected with the news media, S. 1692, to extend the sunset of certain provisions of the USA PATRIOT Act and the authority to issue national security letters, S. 369, to prohibit brand name drug companies from compensating generic drug companies to delay the entry of a generic drug into the market, S. 379, to provide fair compensation to artists for use of their sound recordings, and the nominations of Jacqueline H. Nguyen and Dolly M. Gee, both to be a United States District Judge for the Central District of California, and Edward Milton Chen and Richard Seeborg, both to be a United States District Judge for the Northern District of California, and Brendan V. Johnson, to be United States Attorney for the District of South Dakota, Karen Louise Loeffler, to be United States Attorney for the District of Alaska, and Steven Gerard O'Donnell, to be United States Marshal for the District of Rhode Island, all of the Department of Justice, 10 a.m., SD-226.

Subcommittee on Immigration, Refugees and Border Security, to hold hearings to examine comprehensive immigration reform, focusing on faith-based perspectives, 3 p.m., SD-226.

*Committee on Veterans' Affairs:* to hold hearings to examine the Department of Defense and Veterans' Affairs response to certain military exposures, 9:30 a.m., SD-562.